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New Student Opportunities

Dungeons & Dragons Club

In January, the D&D (Dungeons and Dragons) Club started at MJHS. Led by Mr. Justin Davis, this is a place for students to come together after school not only to play the game but expand on their reading, writing, and speaking skills. "It is a great way to decompress but also ignite creativity and imagination while boosting confidence in literacy learning," Davis shared. In addition, the game promotes teamwork, problem-solving, memory-building, and even math skills!



To learn more about Dungeons & Dragons, [click here](#).

Currently, the D&D club is for students in 7th and 8th grades and they can join at any time. Davis plans another callout meeting at the beginning of each semester to introduce the club to interested students. For more information, you can reach out to Mr. Davis at jdavis@madison.k12.in.us or pick up a permission slip from outside of his classroom door.

The club meets on Tuesday and Thursday after school until 5 p.m.

Bass Fishing Team

Just in time for Spring, Madison has launched a Bass Fishing Team for students currently in grades 7 through 11. An information meeting was held on March 14th for prospective anglers to explore more about this brand-new program.

The team will be led by Chris Cammack and others and will fish in the SAF (Student Angler Federation) and will participate in four summertime Bass Federation Youth High School tournaments. "We have four current students competitively fishing at this time," Cammack shared. "MCHS teammates, Nathaniel Trueblood and Grady Field will compete in the high school state tournament while MJHS teammates, Carson Cammack and Ayden Liter, will compete in the junior high state tournament both held in April.

The team, currently sitting at 10-12 anglers, is seeking Boat Captains - adults with access to 16' fishing vessels to volunteer with team members. "There have to be three people in each vessel at all times," Cammack stated. "I have already had several individuals reach out willing to help. From boats to instruction on skill enhancement, to sponsorships - people are excited to see this opportunity for our kids!"

There will be another informational meeting on April 5th at 6:30 p.m. (location TBD). For more information or if your student is interested, please contact Chris Cammack via call or text at 812-801-9640, via Facebook Messenger, or email at cammackfamily@cinergymetro.net.



Photographed on the left is Carson Cammack holding gift cards following a tournament last year.



At right, teammates Nathaniel Trueblood (l) and Ayden Liter (r) hold their catch at weigh in at a tournament over the summer.

Check out [Indiana Bass Federation Youth/High School South](#) on Facebook.

JAG Students Qualify and Compete at State Level



The annual JAG (Jobs for America's Graduates) Region 9 Career Development Conference took place in February where several MCHS students qualify for State competition held on March 17th.

The Career Development Conference is an opportunity for students to showcase their talents in competitive career-focused competencies and skills they have developed in the classroom.

First place finishers were eligible to compete at the state-level representing their chapter. Region 9 placement included: Jade Yount, 2nd Place Critical Thinking, Marisol Maya & Gracie Nolan, 2nd Place Project Based Learning, Kiera Todd, 2nd Place Career Presentation, Andre Howard, 3rd Place Public Speaking, and Sage Kindle, 2nd Place Writing Skills.

The Madtown JAG Chapter placed First in the Chapter Event category.



Emily Nay was recognized as the 2023 Region 9 Outstanding Senior

First Place Entrepreneurship
Ashton Carie, Ben Orrill, and Isaiah Newman



First Place Financial Literacy
Bryce Miller



UPDATE
The Entrepreneurship Team of Carie, Orrill, and Newman went on to compete at the State level on March 17, 2023 and placed 2nd!

REMINDER!

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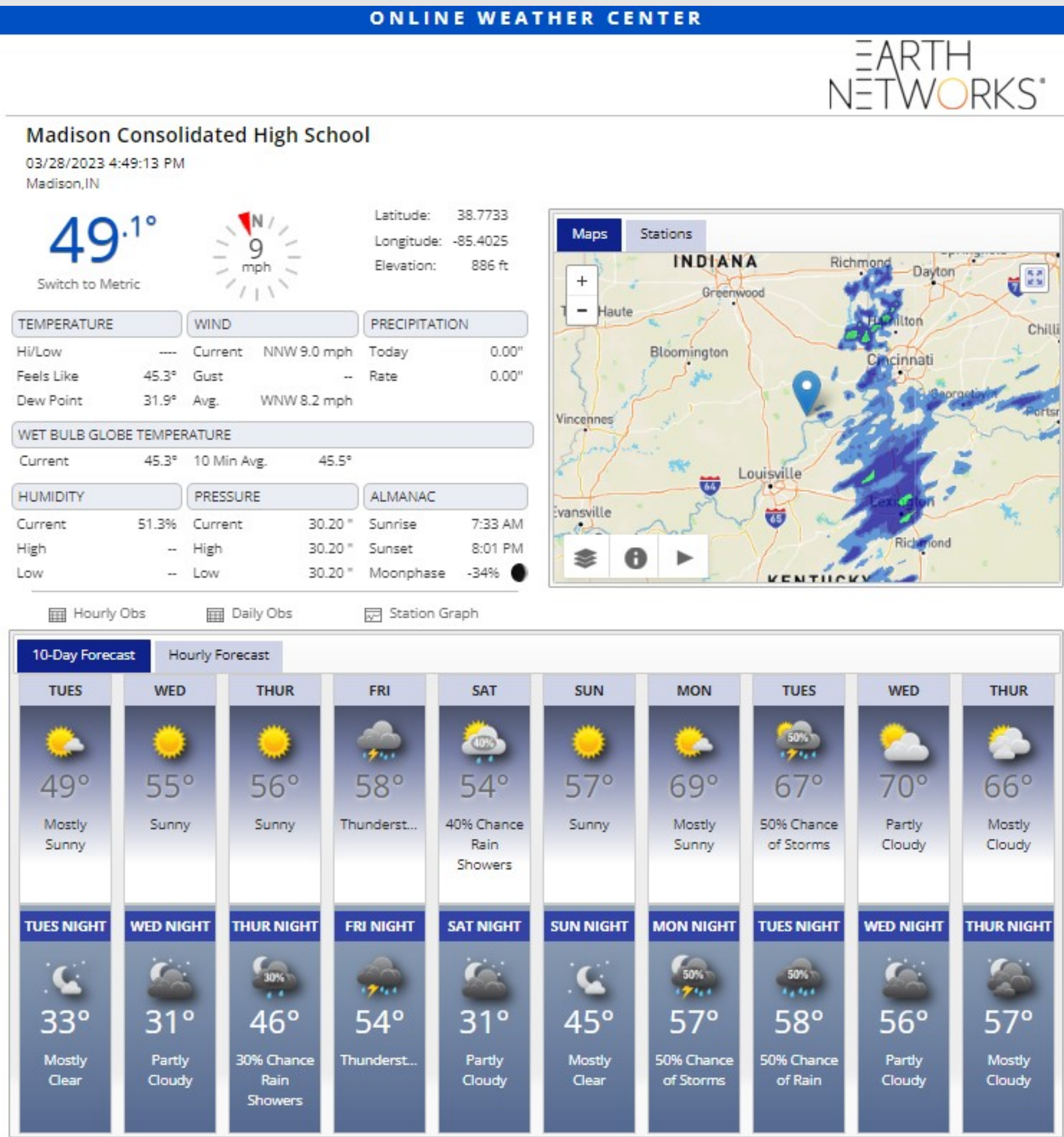
Weather Tower

As part of our ongoing commitment to safety, there is a new weather station tower located between the campuses of MCHS and MJHS.

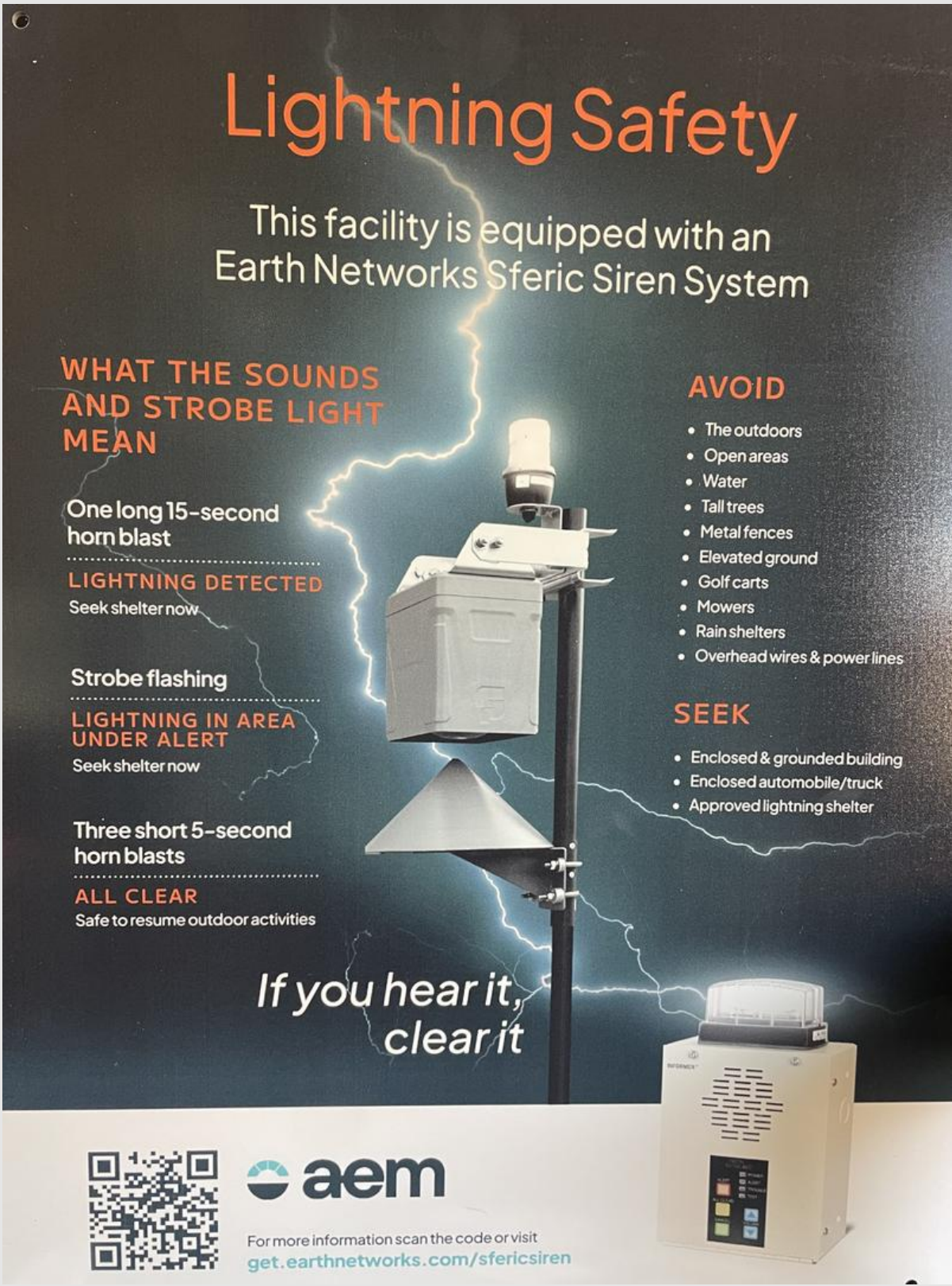
Just in time for our Spring sports season, the tower will serve multiple purposes. Located in the high school parking lot on the roof of the Engineering Lab, the tower will detect and alert for weather, specifically lightning. "One of the things we are always working on is improved safety for our students, athletes, and visitors," shared Patric Morrison, Madison AD. "With the addition of the weather station, we are able to be better alerted to lightening, monitor wet bulb temperature - which is key for summer training and outdoor events, and bring a tight radar view as we prepare for and host outdoor events."

If you are within the vicinity of the tower and there is a lightning strike within 10 miles of the weather station a siren will sound and a strobe light will flash. The strobe will continue to flash for the 30-minute recommended duration of time. Once everything is clear and there is no lightning detected within the 30-minute timeframe, the siren will sound again for 3 short horn blasts which indicate the all-clear. If lightning strikes again within 30 minutes, the strobe will continue to flash. "This is one more step to help reduce the risk of weather-related dangers," Morrison continued. "We hope this addition provides everyone on our campuses and our adjoining neighbors assurance that we are doing all we can to prioritize everyone's safety." You may notice this as an option on your weather apps downloaded to your phone.

The lightning detector is currently active Monday - Friday from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. The monitoring window will be evaluated and changed as necessary to fit the various schedules across both campuses.



You can access the weather station and lightning detector countdown from the [athletics website](#), simply click on *Other Info*.





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112th Annual Custer Contest

Madison Consolidated High School

Sunday, April 16, 2023

2:00 p.m.

Opal E. Sherman Auditorium

Mitchell Adams- *Murder on the Orient Express*

Zoe Bullock - *The Lovely Bones*

Preston Kuppler - *The Magic Strings of Frankie Presto*

Mia Mires - *Fried Green Tomatoes at the Whistle Stop Cafe*

Annie Zhang - *The Paper Menagerie*

112th Custer Oratory Contest

The annual Custer Oratory Contest will be held on Sunday, April 16, 2023, at 2 p.m. in the Opal E. Sherman Auditorium. In its 112th year, the contest promises to bring a unique collection of literary selections. This year, all of the participants are students of the Madison Fine Arts Academy.

Meet our participants and learn a bit more about their literary selections, time at Madison, and future plans!



Mitchell Adams

Mitchell is the son of Troy and Kristy Adams. Mitchell received the 2023 Lilly Foundation Scholarship and will attend Butler University in Indianapolis to study Sports Media. While at Madison, Mitchell has been a member of the Marching Band, Pep Band, Jazz Band, Pit Orchestra, Student Council, and National Honor Society.

Mitchell will present *Murder on the Orient Express* by author Agatha Christie which tells the story of an American tycoon who lies dead in his compartment, stabbed a dozen times, and his door locked from the inside. Isolated and with a killer in their midst, detective Hercule Poirot must identify the murderer – in case he or she decides to strike again. Mitchell is coached by Mrs. Helen Cope.



Zoe Bullock

Zoe is the daughter of Adam and Lindsay Bullock. Zoe will attend the American Musical and Dramatic Academy (AMDA) in New York City where she will study Musical Theatre. While at Madison, Zoe has participated in Madison Theatre, Madison Fine Arts Academy, Student Council, Student Advisory Board, National Honor Society, Elite Choir, Anchor Club, Mires School of Dance as a competitive dancer and coach, and was the MJHS Theatre choreographer.

She will present *The Lovely Bones* by author Alice Sebold which tells the story of a teenage girl who, after being raped and murdered, watches from her personal Heaven as her family and friends struggle to move on with their lives while she comes to terms with her own death. Zoe is coached by Mrs. Lindsay Bullock.



Preston Kuppler

Preston is the son of Greg and Keri Kuppler. Preston will attend Belmont University in Nashville, TN where he will study Audio Engineering Technology and Studio Music. While at Madison, Preston was a member of the Marching Band, Pep Band, Jazz Band, and National Honor Society, and was a four-year participant in Madison Theatre.

Preston will perform *The Magic Strings of Frankie Presto* by Mitch Albom which tells the story of Frankie who was born under tragic circumstances, abandoned as an infant, and raised by a music teacher in a small Spanish town, and is sent to America alone at nine years old with his prized guitar (and six magic strings). His life touches many famous musicians on his journey to become a pop star himself. Preston is coached by Mrs. Keri Kuppler.

Custer Oratory Contest, cont.



Mia Mires

Mia is the daughter of Theron and Jill Mires. Mia will attend the American Musical and Dramatic Academy (AMDA) in New York City where she will study Dance. While at Madison, Mia was a member of the Madison Cheer team, Student Council, Student Advisory Board, National Honor Society, Madison Theatre, Mires School of Dance Team, Thespian Society, and Miss Indiana.

Mia will present Fried Green Tomatoes at the Whistle Stop Cafe by author Fannie Flagg Set in Alabama, it weaves together the past and the present through the blossoming friendship between Evelyn Couch, a middle-aged housewife, and Ninny Threadgoode, an elderly woman who lives in a nursing home. Mia is coached by Mr. P. Aaron Kelsey.



Annie Zhang

Annie is the daughter of Yu Jiang and Zutian Zhang. Annie has not made her college selection at this time but plans to study Economics. While at Madison, Annie was a member of the Quiz Bowl Team, Academic Super Bowl Team, Science Olympiad Team, Madison Theatre Crew, National Honor Society, Student Council, and Anchor Club.

Annie will present The Paper Menagerie by author Ken Liu. Liu's fantasy story depicts the struggle of a woman with a migrant background between retaining her 'old' identity and simultaneously adopting a new one. Annie is coached by Mrs. Jill Koren.

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Marilyn McQueen - Class of '64
Gary Chandler - Class of '76
Nick Griffith - Class of '99

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